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EXTENSION REQUEST - STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES DEVELOPMENT -RLB-204-93

This is a letter to request an extension of the May 5, 1993, due date for the development of Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) as part of the Integrated Field Sampling Plan for the Industrial Area Operable Units (OUs) until June 15, 1993.

The May 5, 1993, date was proposed in a letter from M. B. Arndt to you dated March 12, 1993. That date was based on the expected availability of technical subcontractor support. There have been unforseen delays in obtaining this support, however we do expect the contract to be in place in early May.

Although we are asking for an extension, considerable progress has been made. The current status of the development of these SOPs is:

The development of the Vertical Soil Profiles, Collection of Surficial Soil Samples Below Paved Areas for the HPGe, and Asphalt Sampling and Analysis is underway. Relevant information and details of these procedures are outlined in the Revised Resource Conservation and Recover Act (RCRA) facility investigation/remedial investigation (RFI/RI) Work Plan for OU13. Completion of these SOPs will have the highest priority.

The details needed for the development of Collection of Surficial Soil Samples (per TM 5 for OU 1) are presented in TM 4 for OU 5 which has received conditional approval from the regulatory agencies.

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This procedure will be developed under the provisions of the Scientific Notebook SOP-3-21000 ADM-5.10 which allows for the systematic development of a complex scientific investigation or sampling method as it is needed for the particular investigation.

Collection of Surficial Soils (Root Zone) for Use in the Ecological Risk Assessment Process-

Collection of Wipe and Pavement Samples for PCB's—A procedure has been developed by the Industrial Hygiene group which can be refined and adapted for use in environmental applications.

Steam Rinsate Sampling for Characterization in OU 15—A draft of this procedure already completed and forwarded to the Department of Energy (DOE) on April 26, 1993, by the OU 15 Project Manager.

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Soil Coring from Five Foot Depth to Confirm Soil Gas Surveys—The requirement for this procedure no longer exists. It was in OU 5's work plan but the requirement was deleted because it was not needed in TM 5 on Soil Gas Investigations for OU 5.

Use of Colorimeteric Techniques to Determine Concentrations of Inorganic Parameters in Water—This procedure is already included in the Groundwater SOPs, specifically GW.05 Field Measurement of Groundwater Field Parameters.

Laboratory Application of the HPGe—T. Szydlowski of the 123 Laboratory has drafted a procedure that is being submitted for quality assurance compliance within his organization. He has already incorporated quality assurance/validation and calibration comments from independent reviewers.

Tank/Pipeline Inspection Tank/Pipeline Testing

Tank/Pipeline Residue Sampling—OU 5 has already had a procedure for Video Inspection of Pipelines approved. These requirements of OU 9 investigations need to be compared to that SOP. It is likely that these additional SOPs can be modeled after it.

I am confident that we can submit these SOPs for approval on or before June 15, 1993. The field work driving the development of these SOPs has also been delayed, but some of that delay may be recouped as the field season progresses. The only exception to that is the development of the Vertical Soils Profile SOP which is needed to support some of the field work that has already been done in OU 5. (The HPGe measurements have been taken, but the vertical profiles have not. They may be taken at a later time, but are needed to interpret the data collected earlier.)

We will continue to move ahead on the development of these SOPs in order to complete them as rapidly as possible.

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